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To His G R A C E

WILLIAM, DUKE of DEVONSHIRE,  
Lord Lieutenant General, and General Governor  
of IRELAND.

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**I**T is ordered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, that the Address of this House, presented this Day to His Grace the Lord Lieutenant, and His Grace's Answer thereunto, shall be forthwith Printed and Published, and that the Clerk of this House do appoint the Printing of the said Address and Answer.

*Hen. Baker Sterne, Cler. Parliamentor.*

**B**Y Virtue of the foregoing Order, I do appoint *Oliver Nelson* to Print the said Address and Answer, and do forbid any other Person to Print the same.

*Hen. Baker Sterne, Cler. Parliamentor.*



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LORDS SPIRITUAL and TEMPORAL in PARLIAMENT  
Assembled.

*May it please your Grace,*

**W**E His Majesty's most dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Lords  
Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, humbly  
intreat Your Grace to present our most humble Thanks to  
His Majesty, for having been pleased to acquaint us, by  
Your Grace's Message this Day, with the Designs of the *French* Court,  
to make an Invasion upon *Great-Britain* or *Ireland*; An Attempt which  
cannot fail to excite the utmost Abhorrence and Resentment in all His  
Majesty's faithful Subjects; And we trust in the Divine Providence,  
will prove in the Event as vain and destructive to the Undertakers, as  
it is Perfidious and Presumptuous.

WE thankfully acknowledge His Majesty's great Wisdom and Good-  
ness in providing at this critical Conjunction for the more effectual defence  
and Safety of this Kingdom: And we beg Your Grace will be pleased to  
lay our most solemn Assurances before His Majesty, that we will, with  
the utmost Chearfulness and Zeal concur in whatever Measures His  
Majesty shall judge requisite for that Important End.

FULLY convinced that the Preservation of our Religion, Laws and  
Liberties depends, under God, entirely upon His Majesty and the  
Succession in His Royal House; and animated with a grateful Sense of  
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the many invaluable Blessings we enjoy under His Majesty's most just and Gracious Government, we shall be ready, upon this and every other Occasion, to demonstrate our inviolable and most affectionate Loyalty, by exerting our utmost Endeavours to defend and assist his Majesty against all His Enemies, and to support and maintain the Rights and Honour of His Crown at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes.

WE beg leave to assure your Grace that We have at all times an entire Confidence in Your known Wisdom, Vigilance and Attention to the Welfare of this Kingdom; And that we shall always think it our duty to endeavour to render Your Grace's Administration as easy to Your Grace, as it is confessedly Beneficial to the Publick.

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To which Address, His Grace was pleased to give the following Answer.

My Lords,

*I Return Your Lordships Thanks for this affectionate Address, and shall take the first Opportunity of laying before His Majesty, the Loyalty and Zeal which you have expressed upon this Important Occasion.*



